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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE

APPLICATION OF: Fuerst et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/737,265

FILED: December 13, 2000

FOR: ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR ASSEMBLY
FOR FLAT FLEXIBLE CIRCUITRY

EXAMINER: P. Nguyen

ART UNIT: 2833

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: A1-051 US

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT "A"

In response to the Office Action of July 12, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please approve the drawings changed marked in "red" on the attached triplicate copies of Figures 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Delete the paragraph beginning with "The subassembly of first male body member . . .
" on page 7, line 11 of the original specification and replace it with the following:

The subassembly of first male body member 24 and first flexible circuit 16 is inserted into a first receptacle 49 in adapter 36 in the direction of arrow "A" (Fig. 2). As the subassembly is inserted, chamfered edges 28b of flexible latch arms 28 engage the sides of the receptacle to bias the latch arms inwardly in the direction of arrows "B". When the subassembly is fully inserted as shown in Figure 3, latch hooks 28a resiliently snap back outwardly through side windows 42 into engagement with the back side of front flange 38.

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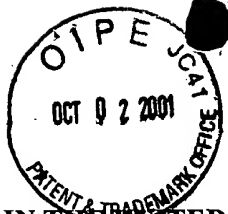
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL FORM

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment "A" in the above-identified application.

2. The fee for filing this Amendment "A" has been calculated as follows:

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INDEP. CLAIMS	3	3 =	0	x \$78	\$ 0.00
Total Fees Due					\$ 0.00

X No additional fee is required.

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XX The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee which may be required or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 50-1873. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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